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Department of Natural Resources

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Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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June 13, 2005

Mr. A. G. Cooper Green River Project LLC 14405 Walters Road, Suite 330 Houston, Texas 77014

Subject: Acceptance of Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining

Operations, Green River Project LLC, Green River Mine, S/019/058,

Grand County, Utah

Dear Mr. Cooper:

The Division finds your small mining notice of intention complete and approves the reclamation surety for the Green River Mine. The Reclamation Contract was signed on June 3, 2003. Copies of the executed documents are enclosed. You may commence with your mining operation providing you have satisfied the requirements of any other appropriate entities, such as Grand County and the Utah Division of Air Quality.

As you begin mining, we remind you of the need to salvage topsoil. The processed material is likely to be composed primarily of cobbles, so it is important that there be soil to retain enough moisture for revegetation. We suggest that you salvage about one foot of soil.

We also remind you of the following from our conditional approval letter of May 18, 2005:

Cultural resources. If, during your operation, you encounter cultural resources, you are required to immediately cease operations and notify the Division and the Division of State History. The Division was notified by the Division of State History that no cultural resources surveys have been completed in this area and that there is a high potential for affecting these resources. The Division recommends you complete a cultural resources survey prior to beginning operations.



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The acceptance of this notice and surety is for a small mining operation only, **not to exceed 4.13 acres**. You are not authorized to disturb a larger area without first amending your notice, adjusting the bond amount and receiving written acceptance from this office. If you wish to expand to a large mine status (more than five acres), approval typically takes up to six to twelve months or longer. Please allow the appropriate lead time to complete the permitting.

For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices," and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (SMO-summary). (The mining rules in their entirety can be obtained at http://www.rules.utah.gov/).

If you have questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact me at (801) 538-5258 or Paul Baker at 538-5261. Best wishes with your new mining venture.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White

Mine Program Coordinator Minerals Regulatory Program

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Attachment: SMO summary

Enclosure: Copy of RC & surety forms

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FORM MR-RC Revised January 21, 2005 RECLAMATION CONTRACT File Number <u>S/0/9/058</u>
Effective Date <u>June 3.200</u>5
Other Agency File Number <u>N</u>

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STATE OF UTAH
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

DIVISION of OIL, GAS and MINING 1594 West North Temple Suite 1210 Box 145801 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801 (801) 538-5291 Fax: (801) 359-3940

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RECLAMATION CONTRACT

DIV OF OIL GAS & MINING

For the purpose of this RECLAMATION CONTRACT the terms below are defined as follows:

"NOTICE OF INTENTION" (NOI): (File No.)

(Mineral Mined)

s/019/058

Alluvial Materials

"MINE LOCATION":

(Name of Mine) (Description)

Green River Mine

approximately 20 miles

southeast of the town of Green River in Grand County

"DISTURBED AREA":

(Disturbed Acres)
(Legal Description)

4.13 acres

(Refer to Attachment A)

"OPERATOR":

(Company or Name)

(Address)

Green River Project LLC

14405 Walters Road

Suite 330

Houston, Texas 77014

(281) 893-7685

(Phone)

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Board of Oil, Gas and Mining



"OPERATOR'S REGISTERED AGENT": Name) (Address)	Business Filings Incorporated 50 West Broadway
(Phone)	Salt Lake City, UT 84101 800-981-7183
"OPERATOR'S OFFICER(S)" & TITLE:	A.G. Cooper - Manager
SURETY": (Form of Surety - Attachment B)	Certificate of Deposit
"SURETY COMPANY": (Name, Policy or Acct. No.)	Wells Fargo Bank
'SURETY AMOUNT": (Escalated Dollars)	\$17,000
'ESCALATION YEAR":	as required
STATE": DIVISION":	State of Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

ATTACHMENTS:

"BOARD":

A "DISTURBED AREA":

B "SURETY":

This Reclamation Contract (hereinafter referred to as "Contract") is entered into between <u>Green River Project LLC</u> the "Operator" and the Utah State Division of Oil, Gas and Mining ("Division").

WHEREAS, Operator desires to conduct mining operations under Notice of Intention (NOI) File No. <u>s/019/058</u> which has been approved/accepted by the Utah State Division of Oil, Gas and Mining under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act, Sections 40-8-1 et seq., Utah Code Annotated, (1953, as amended) (hereinafter referred to as "Act") and implementing rules; and

WHEREAS, Operator is obligated to reclaim that area described as the Disturbed Area as set forth and in accordance with Operator's approved/accepted Reclamation Plan or Notice, and Operator is obligated to provide surety in form and amount approved by the Division, to assure reclamation of the Disturbed Area.

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NOW, THEREFORE, the Division and the Operator agree as follows:

- 1. Operator agrees to conduct reclamation of the Disturbed Area in accordance with the Act and implementing regulations, the Reclamation Plan and/or Notice of Intention approved/accepted by the Division on May 18, 2005

 The Reclamation Plan and/or Notice of Intention, as amended, are incorporated by this reference and made a part hereof.
- 2. Concurrent with the execution hereof, Operator has provided surety to assure that reclamation is conducted, in form and amount acceptable to the Division. Such surety as evidenced by the Surety Contract is in the form of the surety attached hereto as Attachment B and made a part hereof. The Surety Contract shall remain in full force and effect according to its terms unless modified by the Division in writing. If the Surety Contract expressly provides for cancellation, then, within 60 days following the Division's receipt of notice that the Surety Company intends to cancel the Surety Contract, the Operator shall provide a replacement Surety Contract in a form and amount reasonably acceptable to the Division. If the Operator fails to provide an acceptable replacement Surety Contract, the Division may order the Operator to cease further mining activities and to begin immediate reclamation of the Disturbed Area.
- 3. Operator agrees to pay legally determined public liability and property damage claims resulting from mining to the extent provided in Section 40-8-7(1)(e) of the Act.
- 4. Operator agrees to perform all duties and fulfill all reclamation requirements applicable to the mine as required by the Act and implementing rules, the Notice of Intention, as amended and the Reclamation Plan, as amended.
- 5. The Operator's liability under this Contract shall continue in full force and effect until the Division certifies that the Operator has reclaimed the Disturbed Area in accordance with the Act and implementing rules, the Notice of Intention, as amended and the Reclamation Plan, as amended.
- 6. If reclamation of discrete sections of the Disturbed Area is completed to the satisfaction of the Division, and the Division finds that such sections are severable from the remainder of the Disturbed Area, Operator may request the Division to certify that Operator has reclaimed such discrete sections of the Disturbed Area in accordance with the Act and Implementing rules, the Notice of Intention, as amended and the Reclamation Plan, as amended. If the Division makes such certification, Operator may make request to the Division that the aggregate face



amount of the Surety Contract provided pursuant to paragraph 2 be reduced to an amount necessary to provide for completion of the remaining reclamation. The Division shall hear Operator's request for such reduction in accordance with the Board's Procedural Rules concerning requests for Agency Action.

- 7. Operator agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State, Board and the Division from any claim, demand, liability, cost, charge, suit, or obligation of whatsoever nature arising from the failure of Operator or Operator's agents and employees, or contractors to comply with this Contract.
- 8. Operator may, at any time, submit a request to the Division to substitute surety. The Division may approve such substitution if the substitute surety meets the requirements of the Act and the implementing rules.
- 9. This Contract shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Utah.
- 10. If Operator shall default in the performance of its obligations hereunder, Operator agrees to pay all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred by the Division and/or the Board in the enforcement of this Contract.
- 11. Any breach that the Division finds to be material of the provisions of this Contract by Operator may, at the discretion of the Division, result in an order to cease mining operations. After opportunity for notice and hearing, the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining may enter an order to revoke the Notice of Intention, order reclamation, or order forfeiture of the Surety Contract, or take such other action as is authorized by law.
- 12. In the event of forfeiture of the Surety Contract, Operator shall be liable for any additional costs in excess of the surety amount which are required to comply with this Contract. Any excess monies resulting from forfeiture of the Surety Contract, upon completion of reclamation and compliance with this Contract, shall be returned to the rightful claimant.
- 13. This Contract including the Notice of Intention, as amended and the Reclamation Plan, as amended, represents the entire agreement of the parties involved, and any modification must be approved in writing by the parties involved.
- 14. Each signatory below represents that he/she is authorized to execute this Contract on behalf of the named party.

COPY

OPERATOR:

Green River Project LLC
Operator Name
By A.G. Cooper
Authorized Officer (Typed or Printed)
Managing Member of A Gold Co LLC parent company of Green River Project LLC
Authorized Officer - Position
Officer's Signature 5/25/05 Date
Officer's Signature Date
STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HARRIS SS:
On the 25th day of MAY, 20 05, A.G. Cooper
personally appeared before me, who being by me duly sworn did say that he/she is the of Cheen River Project Co and duly acknowledged
that said instrument was signed on behalf of said company by authority of its bylaws or a resolution of its board of directors and said
Notary Public
Residing at HATTIS County TOKAS Wy Cyndie D Marshall My Commission Expires
JUNE / 200 June 11 2007
My Commission Expires:



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DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING:	
By Mah Minh Assoc. D John R. Baza Director	Date 6/3/05
STATE OF	
On the 312 day of	Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, I he duly acknowledged to me that aw on behalf of the State of Utah
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF UTAH 1594 W. NORTH TEMPLE, STE 1210 SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84116 My Comm. Exp. 04/04/2009 Residi	Public J. C. Wal.

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ATTACHMENT "A"

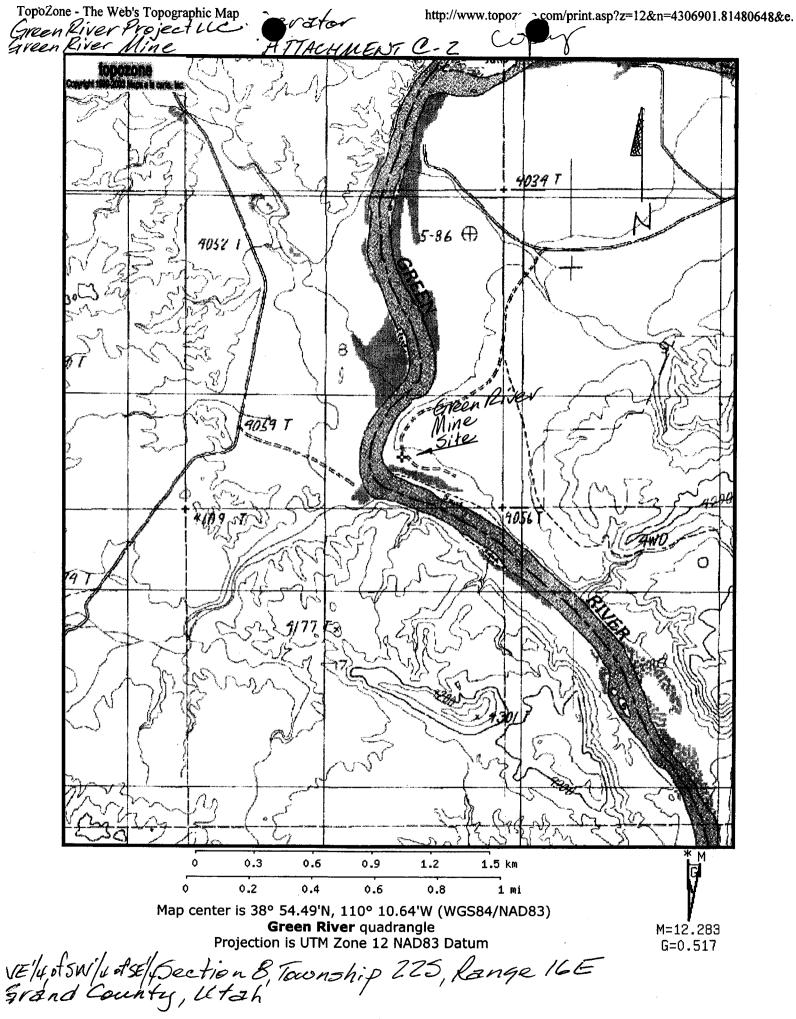
Green River Project LLC	Green River	Mine
Operator	Mine Name	
s/019/058	Grand	County, Utah
Permit Number		County, Otan
Include 1/4, 1/4, 1/4 sections, townships, ranges and any disturbed lands are located. Attach a topographic map or larger scale is preferred) showing township, range as boundaries tied to this Reclamation Contract and surety. The detailed legal description of land following lands not to exceed 4.13 permit and surety, as reflected on the as	of suitable scale (max. 1 inch = and sections and a clear outline of the sections and a clear outline of the sections acres under the sections acres	= 500 feet; 1 inch = 200 feet of the disturbed area
Attachments C-1 thru C-5	and dated Apr	il 11, 2005.

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ATTACHMENT C-1 GREEN RIVER MINE GREEN RIVER PROJECT LLC-OPERATOR

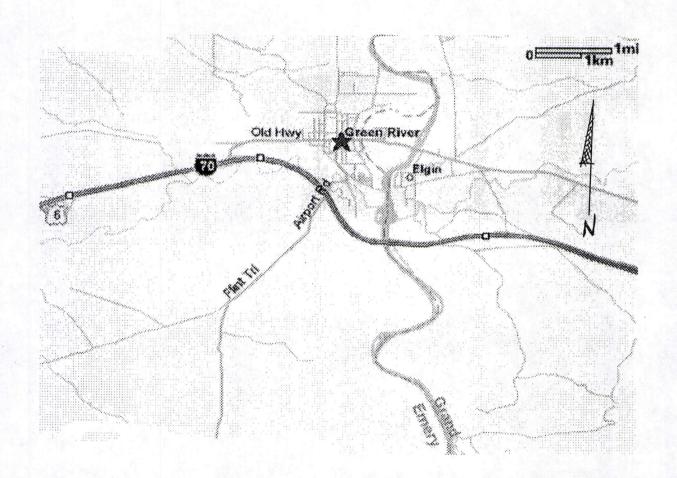
Project Location

4.13 acres located on private land in Grand County, Utah and in the Green River Quadrangle of a USGS 7.5 minutes series map shown as NE 1 4, of SW 1 4, of SE 1 4 : Section 8, Township: 22S, Range: 16E



Green River Mine
Green River Project LLC-Operator
Located NE1/4 of Sco 1/4 of SE/4, Section 8, Township 200, Rangello E
Grand County, Ut2h

General Area Map



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SITE MARKER INFORMATION Green River Mine Green River Project LLC-Operator

Document Marker:

Corner marker #1
Red Flag Stake
Southeast corner of site
Located 300ft, northwest of exposed bedrock at bank of river
38° 54.487 N
-110 10.647 W
Elevation – 4030ft.

Corner Marker #2:

Red Flag Stake
Southwest corner of site
Located 300ft, southwest of corner marker #1
38° 54.533 N
-110 10.633 W
Elevation - 4039ft.

Corner Marker #3:

Red Flag Stake
Northeast corner of site
Located 600ft, northeast of corner marker #1
38° 54.483 N
-110 10.520 W
Elevation - 4034ft.

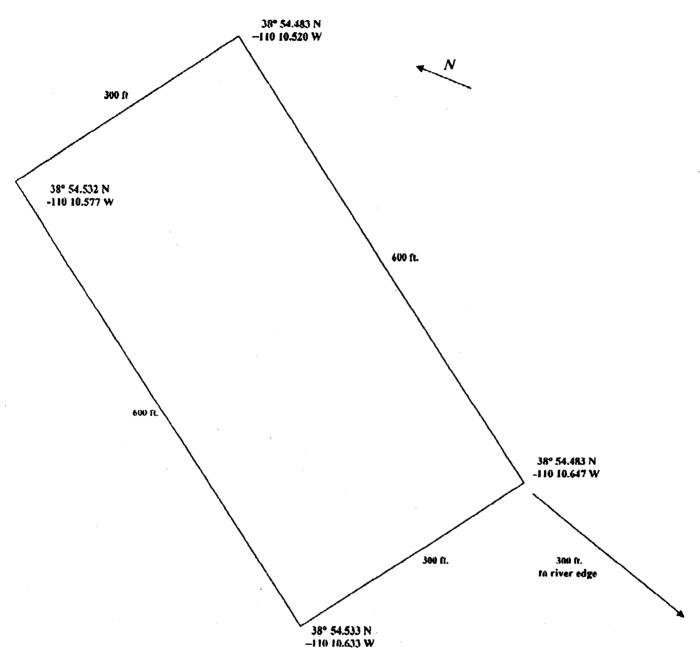
Corner Marker #4:

Red Flag Stake
Northwest corner of site
Located 300ft, southwest of corner marker #3, 600ft, northeast of corner marker #2
38° 54.532 N
-110 10.577 W
Elevation - 4059ft.

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Att. Innert C-5, Green River Mine Site Dimensions Green River Project UC-Operator Site Overview COPY



NE 1/4 of 5 w 1/4, of SE 1/4 Section B, Township 225, Range 16E Grand County, Utah

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State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

MICHAEL R. STYLER Executive Director

JOHN R. BAZA
Division Director

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Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. 55 South Main Blanding, Utah 84511 (435) 678-2232

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Attention: Samuel Crane, Branch Manager

Subject: Reclamation Surety, Certificate of Deposit for Green River Project, LLC, Green River Mine Site,

S/019/058, Grand County, Utah

Certificate of Deposit no. Principal Amount \$17,000.

This letter describes the mutually agreed upon instructions of the below signed parties to Wells Fargo Bank ("Bank"), regarding the control, redemption, and release of Bank's above-described certificate of deposit ("CD"), which is being used as a surety to guarantee the availability of reclamation funds for the Green River mine site ("Mine Site"), Grand County, Utah. It is the intention of the parties that the CD be utilized as surety to guarantee that \$17,000 in reclamation funds will be available to the State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas & Mining ("Division") upon demand in the event that the operator(s) of the Mine Site are unable or unwilling to complete reclamation of the mine site in compliance with applicable state law and regulations.

Ownership and Renewal:

Ownership of the CD is retained by Green River Project, LLC, a Texas Limited Liability Company ("Owner"), but it is held by Bank for the benefit of the State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas & Mining and is subject to the terms and conditions described in this agreement. The CD shall automatically renew indefinitely until either redeemed or released by the Director of the Division.

<u>Redemption:</u>

The CD may only be redeemed (i.e., called on demand), pursuant to the written instruction or demand of the Director of the Utah Division of Oil, Gas & Mining to the Bank. Upon the instruction and demand of the Director, the full initial amount of the CD shall be transferred to the State of Utah, Division of Oil Gas and Mining. Owner agrees and irrevocably instructs Bank that neither the Owner, nor any other person



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claiming an ownership interest in the CD which is derived from the Owner, shall have the authorityot prevent the Bank from carrying out the Directors instruction to redeem the CD. Upon redemption, any accrued interest in excess of the initial amount of the CD shall be transferred to Owners control, or if Owner does not instruct the Bank, the accrued interest shall be reinvested in the CD. If a signature card is prepared, it shall be drafted consistent with the requirement that only the Director of the Division may redeem the CD.

Release:

The bank shall release the CD only upon the written instruction of the Director of the Division to the Bank. Upon release, the terms and conditions of this agreement are no longer in effect, and the unconditioned control of the CD shall be returned to the Owners, or their legal successors in-interest.

Accrued Interest.

Prior to release or redemption, all interest which accrues by the CD shall be 1) dispersed quarterly to the Owner as the Owner may instruct the Bank, or 2) shall be reinvested in the CD until such time the Owner may instruct the Bank where to transfersuch interest. In no event shall the Bank transfer any amount from the CD which would cause the redemption amount of the CD to be less than the initial amount, \$17,000. All tax liabilities for accrued interest shall remain the responsibility of the Owner.

Bank will not be held liable for any dispute between the parties.

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Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.



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Time Account Receipt/Disclosure

Wells Fargo Bank N.A.					
Time Account number		Date opened		Term of Time Account	· ·
		05/25/2005		30 months	iths days
Maturity date		Interest rate	Fixed rate	Variable rate	Annual percentage yield
Your Time Account will mature on	11/25/2007	3.92	×		4.0
Interest will be paid					
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YOU WILL AUTOMATICALLY RENEW MY TIME ACCOUNT
YOU WILL AUTOMATICALLY RENEW MY TIME ACCOUNT
AT MATURITY UNLESS I NOTIFY YOU OTHERWISE
The Bank is opening the above described Time Account for your deposit of
SEVENTEEN THOUSAND AND 0/100
four name and address
GREEN RIVER PROJECT LLC FBO STATE OF UTAH, DIVISION OF

OIL, GAS & MINING STE 330 14405 WALTERS RD

HOUSTON TX 77014-1337

ACCT NO.

BY CREDITING CHECKING

(901) Z96ZSNO

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This is a receipt. It need not be presented at the time you obtain payment from the Bank. weotes (11/04 83875-)) Time Accounts

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Wells Fargo Bank Northwest, N.A.

Blanding MAC U1401-011 55 South Main Blanding, UT 84511 435 678-2232 435 678-2082 Fax



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May 25, 2005

DIV OF OIL GAS & MINING

To Whom It May Concern:

A time account numbered has been opened in the name of Green River Project LLC for the benefit of State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas & Mining. An administrative hard hold has been placed on this \$17,000 time account (certificate of deposit). Only the director of the State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas & Mining may remove the hold by a written letter on State of Utah letter head.

Please feel free to contact me at 435-678-2232 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Samuel O. Crane Store Manager